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CURRENT INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Intelligence Appraisal With Reference to
Iran's Internal Defense Plan

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25X1 [redacted] The Army Mission of the
Military Aid Assistance Group continues to receive
Iranian cooperation in fulfilling its counterinsur-
gency training program.

2. Despite significant areas of popular dis-
satisfaction, the internal security of Iran prob-
ably will not be seriously threatened in the near
future unless the Shah is eliminated in some unfore-
seen development. The outlawed Tudeh (Communist)
Party, while not a significant factor at present,
could become one in the chaotic situation that might
well follow the removal of the Shah. Disaffection
now evident within elements of the middle class
could become significant if it were to spread through
the armed forces.

ARMY review(s) completed.